

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY



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Drug Court Professionals (NADCP)
DRAFTED BY

May 2, 2019
DATE DRAFTED

PROCLAIMING MAY 2019 TREATMENT COURT MONTH

1 **WHEREAS**, this year marks the 30th anniversary of treatment courts; and,
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3 **WHEREAS**, there are now more than 3,000 treatment courts nationwide; and,
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5 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts are the cornerstone of criminal justice reform sweeping the nation; and
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7 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts have served more than 1.5 million individuals; and,
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9 **WHEREAS**, they are now recognized as the most successful justice system intervention in our nation's
10 history; and,
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12 **WHEREAS**, they save an average of \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and,
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14 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes,
15 substantially reduce addiction and related crime, and do so at less expense than any other criminal justice
16 strategy; and,
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18 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts improve education, employment, housing and financial stability, promote
19 family reunification, reduce foster care placements, and increase the rate of addicted mothers delivering
20 babies who are fully drug free; and,
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22 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety
23 and public health professionals; and
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25 **WHEREAS**, treatment courts demonstrate that when one person rises out of substance use and crime, we
26 all rise; and; and,
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28 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its Drug Court in April 2007, and has had 639 total participants and
29 291 successful graduates as of May 2, 2019; and,
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31 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its Veterans Court in September 2009, and has had 81 total
32 participants and 57 successful graduates as of May 2, 2019; and,
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34 **WHEREAS**, Rock County started its OWI Court in October 2012, and has had 104 total participants and
35 62 successful graduates as of May 2, 2019.
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37 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
38 this 23rd day of May, 2019, does hereby declare that a "Treatment Court Month" be
39 established during the month of May 2019.

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Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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